

**GENERAL AGREEMENT ON
TARIFFS AND TRADE**

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Committee on Technical Barriers to Trade

NOTIFICATION

The following notification is being circulated in accordance with Article 10.4.

1.	Party to Agreement notifying: <u>JAPAN</u>
2.	Agency responsible: Ministry of Transport
3.	Notified under Article 2.5.2 [X], 2.6.1 [], 7.3.2 [], 7.4.1 [], other:
4.	Products covered (HS or CCCN where applicable, otherwise national tariff heading): Motor vehicles (HS: 87.01, 87.02, 87.03, 87.04 and 87.05)
5.	Title and number of pages of the notified document: Amendment to the Safety Regulations for Road Vehicles (available in English, 1 page)
6.	Description of content: This proposal amends exhaust emission standards for gasoline-powered medium-duty and heavy-duty vehicles.
7.	Objective and rationale: To reduce the air pollution.
8.	Relevant documents: The basic document is the Safety Regulations for Road Vehicles. The amendment will appear in "KAMPO" (Official Government Gazette) when adopted.
9.	Proposed date of adoption and entry into force: Adoption: September 1993 Entry into force: 1. with regard to Medium-duty vehicles (gross vehicle weight over 1.7 tons and less than 2.5 tons) - domestic vehicle: December 1994 at earliest - imported vehicle: April 1996 at earliest 2. with regard to Heavy-duty vehicles (gross vehicle weight over 2.5 tons) - domestic vehicle: December 1995 at earliest - imported vehicle: April 1997 at earliest

10. Final date for comments: 26 September 1993

11. Texts available from: National enquiry point [X] or address of other body: